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March 31, 2023

Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for Washington County Public Safety Equipment and Technology in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Washington County, located at 11660 Myeron Road North, Stillwater, MN 55082. The funding would be used for the purchase of two airboats and the implementation of a Digital Evidence Management System within the Washington County Sheriff's Office (WCSO). The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it invests in Washington County's ability to conduct search and rescue and investigative operations through the WCSO. It would also support efficient and effective communication of evidence for public safety agencies, attorneys, and the public.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in section 501 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. § 10152).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Betty McCollum".

Betty McCollum
Member of Congress